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Anti-Slavery Office,  
New York, 18 Aug., 1859.

Dear Mrs. Chapman,

The letter from Mrs. Martineau in this week's Standard was accompanied by a private note which you will find enclosed. On looking carefully at the paragraph which she gave me liberty to publish or suppress, as I might think best, I could not see that there was anything in it calculated to do harm to the cause or to any individual; <sup>but</sup> ~~and so~~, I could see no good reason for withholding what was evidently written in charity to all concerned, & I ~~"let it slide."~~ You may, or may

not, we can not but I can  
not counsel you before acting. Mrs.  
M. may, perhaps, have something  
further to say after reading Wen-  
dell's letter. +

I have heard, in a rounda-  
bout way, of a smothering of the  
Pipe of Peace by Pillsbury and Foster  
at Garrison's. It is pleasant  
news, and I hope it is true, i. e.,  
if the hurt is healed, not merely  
covered up for the time, to break  
forth again upon occasion.

Yours, truly,

Oliver Johnson

No. She did not take  
the least notice of it.

It was so wide of the  
mark, & so very dull  
of understanding or dis-  
cernment, that it required  
no notice.

M.W.C.

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